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MEETING OF STATES PARTIES TO THE
CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF
ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION
AGAINST WOMEN
Ninth meeting
New York, 29 February 1996

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting by the representative of the Secretary-General.

2. Election of the Chairperson.

3. Adoption of the agenda.

4. Election of other officers of the meeting.

5. Election, in accordance with article 17, paragraphs 4 and 5, of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, of 11 members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 15 April 1996.

6. Amendment to article 20, paragraph 1, of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

7. Other matters.

Annotations

Item 6

By its resolution 50/202, of 22 December 1995, the General Assembly took note with approval of the proposed amendment to article 20, paragraph 1, of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. That amendment specifies, inter alia, that "the Committee shall normally meet

annually in order to consider the reports submitted in accordance with article 18 of the present Convention. The duration of the meetings of the Committee shall be determined by a meeting of the States parties to the present Convention, subject to the approval of the General Assembly". The amendment will enter into force when it has been accepted by a two-thirds majority of States parties which shall have so notified the Secretary-General as depositary of the Convention.

The Meeting of States parties will have before it any recommendations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women from its fifteenth session regarding the duration of its meetings for forthcoming sessions.

Item 7

Article 28 of the Convention provides that the Secretary-General shall receive and circulate to all States the text of reservations made by States at the time of ratification or accession. It also provides that the Secretary-General shall inform States parties of any reservation withdrawn by notification after such notification is received. In accordance with established practice, the Secretariat will provide the Meeting of States parties to the Convention with consolidated information on reservations, declarations, objections and notifications of withdrawal of reservations relating to the Convention (CEDAW/SP/1996/2).